REQUEST **FOR** CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,

| | Application Number | 09/489,561 |
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| | Confirmation Number | 5987 |
| | Filing Date | January 21, 2000 |
| | First Named Inventor | William J. BAER |
| | Group Art Unit | 2122 |
| | Examiner Name | NGUYEN-BA |
| | Matter Number | A8522 |
| | METHOD AND CONFIGURABLE MODEL | |
| | FOR STORING HIERARCHICAL DATA IN | |
| A NON-HIERARCHICAL DATA | | RCHICAL DATA |

| provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995 | FOR STORING HIERARCHICAL DATA IN A NON-HIERARCHICAL DATA Title REPOSITORY |
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| This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 | |
| 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 | RECEIVED |
| a. □ Previously submitted | JAN 2 8 2004 |
| i. Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/repl previously filed on | y under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 OFFICE OF PETITIONS |
| ii. □ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Riii. □ Other | |
| b. 🗹 Enclosed | |
| i. Amendment/Reply | |
| ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) | |
| iii. ☑ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) | |
| iv. Petition for Extension of Time | |
| v. Other Petition to Withdraw from Issue in accordance Other Petition to Withdraw | rdance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2) |
| 2. MISCELLANEOUS a. □ Suspension of action on the above-identified applic period of months b. □ Other | ation is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a |
| 3. FEES | |
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| overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of the CORRESPONDEN | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
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| SIGNATURE OF | ATTORNEY |
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| Signature Charles De | ate January 23, 2004 |
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